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**2024 RES-344**  
**AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE OF CONTINUOUS COVER**  
**CONSERVATION EASEMENT - LUND**

15 The Dane County Continuous Cover Program (CCP) was established in in 2019 to  
16 financially assist landowners converting traditional row-cropped fields to continuous  
17 vegetative cover. Continuous vegetation can increase water filtration, reduce soil  
18 erosion, improve water quality, build soil health, increase wildlife habitat, sequester  
19 carbon and diversify production practices. Starting in 2024, landowners could choose  
20 between a 15-year CCP cost-share agreement or a permanent conservation easement  
21 option that will ensure continuous cover in perpetuity. Landowners already enrolled in  
22 CCP are able to convert their current contracts into a permanent conservation  
23 easement.

24 Dennis Lund and James Lund own 29.8 acres on County Highway W in the Town of  
25 Christiana. The Lund's enrolled their land into a 15-year CCP cost-share agreement in  
26 2019 and have established cover on the land. They desire to convert the current  
27 contract into a permanent conservation easement. The purchase price of this easement  
28 is \$67,050.  
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30 Funds for the purchase are available in the LWLEGACY 57272 Dane County CRP fund.  
31 The debt issued to support this expenditure will have a term of 20 years.  
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33 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dane County Board of Supervisors  
34 and the Dane County Executive hereby authorize the purchase of a Conservation  
35 Easement from Dennis Lund and James Lund for \$67,050.00 plus miscellaneous costs  
36 and that the land rights be managed under the jurisdiction of the Dane County Land &  
37 Water Resources Department;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Dane County Executive and Dane County Clerk  
are hereby authorized to execute the described easement and related documents on  
behalf of Dane County; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Dane County Land & Water Resources Department  
Director and the Real Estate Coordinator are authorized to administer the closing and  
the transfer of the above-mentioned easement interests to Dane County, and the  
Controller is authorized to issue checks necessary to effectuate the transaction.